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HUNDREDS READ BULLETINS IN FRONT OF MAIL OFFICE

Interest Kept Up All Afternoon as Numbers Were Posted

CHEERFUL TONE PREVAILED

Fifth street, in front of the Mail office, was crowded Friday afternoon by hundreds of Charleroi citizens, who were intensely interested in the drawing of the numbers, which would tell many of them whether they would be among those who would be called to the colors with the first contingent.

The first bulletin was posted about three o'clock, although some time before that hour there were numerous inquiries from early callers to ascertain if "their number" was among the first to be drawn from the fateful bowl.

As fast as bulletins were completed they were posted in front of the Mail office, and this caused hundreds of people to assemble in order to read the numbers which would indicate who would be among the first from Charleroi and surrounding communities to be called to make up the units of the new army.

It was acheerful and good-natured assembly. No rancor, no bitterness, no malice—everyone seemed to be cheerful, even if their number was among those posted, while those who had not been called as yet, were wondering how soon their's would "come out."

The interest kept up all afternoon and evening, showing that while the people have been saying but little about the draft, the moment it was made they wished to know in what division they would likely be summoned.

What was true of Charleroi was true of all other communities in the United States. Those who have been summoned are ready to go, whether it be early or late, thus showing the government that in the present controversy the people are standing squarely back of their executives that the present great conflict may be brought to a successful termination.

RECEIVERS ASKED FOR RUBBER COMPANY

Receivers have been appointed for the Stungo radium Rubber company of Washington on on petition of certain of the stockholders. The company was capitalized at $825,000, all of which was paid in. The charge is made that the promoter had dissipated most of the money of the company, and a receivership was asked for in order to save what was left for the stockholders.

Agents for the company solicited sales of the stock in the Monongahela valley last spring, and from reports it is believed that a large block of it was sold.

HUMANE AGENT STARTS VIGOROUS CAMPAIGN

L. H Ahn, of the Pittsburg Humane society was in Monessen on Thursday assisting the local office in looking after a number of cases that had been reported of cruelty to animals. Two informations were made against offenders, who were fined by Justice Bell of Belle Vernon.

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CAN A DRAFTED MAN VOLUNTEER?

Such Applicants Turned Down in Pittsburgh On Friday

MEN HAD APPLIED TOO LATE

Among those who enlisted in the regular Army at Pittsburg on Friday were Henry Decker of Charleroi, and Paul W. Heath of Speers. In this connection it might be well to note that a number of men who tried to enlist in the navy at Pittsburg Friday were turned down because they had been drawn in the draft. Each applicant was asked if his number had been drawn and if the answer was in the affirmative, the recruiting officer said, "I am sorry, we cannot use you."

Whether men drawn for the draft will be given the privilege of volunteering in any one of the various units has not been definitely determined, although in some quarters it is contended that such applicants will be ultimately accepted. As the matter now stands, the government can fill up all its units from the men who will be called to the colors. Can send men to the Regulars, to the National Guards or assign them to the National Army and its various units, as it determines later.

As the navy is a purely volunteer organization, it may be that men will be permitted to enlist in this branch of the service, although they have been drafted for service in the army. This might apply to men who would not likely be called into service for the next year or so.

FOUR-CITIES LUTHER LEAGUE HOLDS MEETING

A meeting of the Four-Cities Luther League was held in Monessen Thursday evening, which was largely attended. Papers on "The Character of Martin Luther" and "Some Lutheran Facts" were read. A social hour followed the usual business session.

EXEMPTION IS THE NEXT DRAFT STEP

In the Fifth district of Washington county, of which Charleroi is a part, there are 5,123 men registered for the draft all of whose numbers were called on Friday. When the allotment of the district is made, which will be done at once, those who are to be summoned will appear before the local exemption board for physical examination, or for exemption as the case may be.

Members of the exemption board of the fifth district are, John O. Watson, North Charleroi, President; Gilbert E. Koedel, of Donora, secretary, and Dr. C. B. Wood, of Monongahela, medical examiner.

It is the duty of the men registered in each of the various districts to discover the order in which his name has been drawn and then be prepared for a physical exemination upon orders. If his physical condition will permit him to pass the army requirments then he will be called before thee xemption board of his district to determine whether he is liable for service.

A man having any claim for exemption, either occupational or by reason of having a family to support can make them after taking the physical examination. If his appeal should not be allowed he will be permitted to have a higher court pass upon his claims. It is expected it will take at least another month before the required number of 687,000 men are obtained for the new army from those who were registered.

MANY VOLUNTEER FOR WORK ON FARMS

Twenty-seven professional and business men of Washington have volunteered for emergency work on the farms of the county and have signed an agreement to that effect. The volunteers were accepted through a movement inaugurated by the Board of Trade of Washington, prompted by the urgent need for assistance to save the crops of the county as shown through appeals received during the past days by the Agricultural Bureau.

The men agree to serve without compensation except that they are to receive their meals and their lodging where it is impossible for them to return home at night. The volunteers will be placed by J. M. McKee, county agriculturist and notification that they are wanted will be given a couple of days in advance that they can arrange their business in a satisfactory manner. It is possible the men will be worked in squads of two or more.

STRIKE PREVAILS IN THE IRWIN FIELD

What might be termed a peculiar strike exists at the present time in the norther part of the Irwin Export coal field, where about 10,000 men are employed. As a result of this strike the district has been made "bone dry" by direction of the authorities, and as a consequence the hotels at Delmont and Claridge, as well as all social clubs have closed their bars. This precaution has been taken that no disorder may result from so many men being idle. The breweries have also promised to keep their agents out of the field and do no soliciting for business.

The field is being combed for suspected plotters who are believed to be trying to close down the mines which supply coal to munitions factories in the east. Arrests are being made every day, with the expectation of finally landing the ring leaders.

WANT CLOCK FOR COURT HOUSE DOME

The county commissioners have been repuested to replace the statue of George Washington, which for many years has graced the top of the court house dome with a large clock. From remarks made from time to time there seems to be considerable sentiment in favor of such action. The sum of $4,000 is now in the county treasury, secured some months ago from the insurance companies by reason of the destruction by lightning of the former Washington statue. While there is some sentiment in favor of retaining some reminder of the "Father of His Country" at the court house, the utility of the clock seems to have greater favor with the people.

On Thursday District Attorney Baum and others appeared before the commissioners and urged them to take some action which would be favorable to securing a large clock for the court house dome. The commissioners have allowed the matter to hang for some time, although there has been agitation at different times looking toward the installation of the clock, which would be large enough to be seen from every point of the compass.

The difficulty of placing a statue of George Washington on the dome of the court house is a factor which may determine the action of the commissioners in the matter, as heretofore the maintenance of the statue has cost the county considerable money The matter is to be considered further.

VIKING CLUB HOSTS AT MOONLIGHT PICNIC

A moonlight picnic and dance was held at the Ellsworth dancing pavilion at which members of the Viking club of Charleroi were the hosts, Friday evening. About thirty couple from Monongahela, Donora and Charleroi attended the affair. Members of the Alpha Phi Beta fraternity, several other couple and the members of the Viking club former the party. Lunch was served at 11:30.

WASHINGTON COUNTY MUST FURNISH 1,619 MEN FOR ARMY

GYPSIES DRIVEN FROM MONONGAHELA CITY

Four gypsies who were posing as phrenologists in Monongahela, and who had appeared in other towns in this locality, were arersted Thursday night by the police of that city and compelled to post a forfeit for their appearance. They were charged with violating a city ordinance. Fearing conviction the quartet left-town after posting the forfeit, preferring to lose the money rather than accept a verdict from the Mayor.

Is Given Credit for 597 Men Who Are Already in Service

PERCENTAGE UNUSUALLY HIGH

Washington county's gross quota of men under the selective draft system was 2,216, with a credit for volunteers and National Guard members of 597, leaving the net quota at 1,619. This means that this county will be called upon to furnish for the new National Army 1619 men on the first call. The total registration of Washington county of men between the ages of 21 and 31 is 19,137 men, from among whom the selection will be made. Of this number approximately 6,316 are aliens and 48 are alien enemies, making a total of 6,348 who will be exepmt from the draft, leaving a total of 12,789 men from whom the country's quota must be drawn.

It is estimated that fully half of those registered will be exempted for various reasons, so that the percentage in the county promises to be unusually high according to advices from Wachington 200 per cent of the men repuired will be called forexamination, and in the Fifth district it is likely that at least the first eight hundred numbers drawn will be summoned to appear before the exemption board.

The failure to make allowance for [illegible] of the north caused considerable ing in Washington during the week, the charge being made that northern states were being required to furnish more than their just share, while the southern states, where the foreign population is small, were not affected.

Washington county is feeling this phase of the situation, because of the large alien population within its borders, all of whom are exempt from military service. While they were counted in the totals in which the quotas were based, they have only added to the burdens of the citizens of the county in a military way, who must furnish the quota which the war department will call for.

SOME MAY NOT BE SUMMONED

Men Will be Called to Service in the Order Drawn

TAKE MONTHS OF TRAINING

The drawing of serial numbers in the draft on Friday has caused more or less confusion at some of the industrial plants, and managers had quite a serious time [illegible] morning in allaying unnecessary fears on the part of a number of men who appeared to think they were summoned to duty at once.

At one Charleroi plant a number of men, after seeing their number among those called, said there was no use in them working any longer; they had been called to the army and would be sent to Europe to be shot, and that they might as well work now and go home to remain with their families the few remaining days allotted to them.

While some of these men may be called to service, and while some of them may be among the first, it will not be possible to send any of the National Army abroad before next Spring. It will take six or seven months at the best possible speed that can be made to put the men in any kind of shape for service. True, the Regular Army and the National Guard, constituting a force of almost 800,000 men will likely be sent abroad during the coming fall, or just as fast as transports can be secured, but it is likely that thousands of the men subject for duty will never be called. Those men who are far down the list will be the last to be called, and out of the immense number registered it is not expected that over 2,000,000 will be summoned to service.

Wanted At Once.

Labor foreman who can furnish his own men. Apply immediately Superintendents Office Hussy-Binns Steel company. 29-43-*

EDITOR GIBSON RESIGNS FROM DAILY REPUBLICAN

William G. Gibson, who has been the editor of the Monongahela Daily Republican for a number of years, has tendered his resignation, which becomes effective this evening. After enjoying a brief vacation he expects to take up another line of work near his home town.

NEW MINES MAKE NO. 6 BUSY LOCK

Since the completion of the new lock chamber at No. 6, at Rices Landing, which has all the latest operating machinery, installed at an expense of several thousand dollars, a number of new mines have been opened in the sixth pool. The first of the new mines to begin operations was the Alicia No. 2, owned by Capt. W. Harry Brown, which is now shipping several thousand of tons of coal per month to industries in the Pittsburg district. The Buckeye Coal company also in the sixth pool is now developing 3,000 acres of coal land in that section and it is expected that shipments will be made from these new mines before the end of the year. Other developments are following in the wake of these two companies.

Miss Laura E. Lysle attended a fancy work party given by Mrs. F. L. Robinson and Mrs. H. K. Coulter at the home of the former in Coal street, Monongahela.

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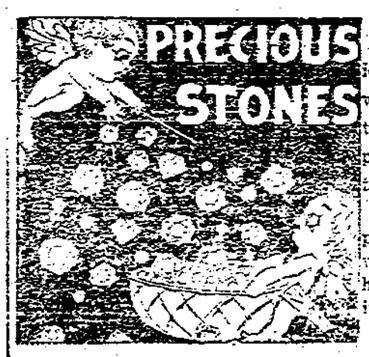

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PROVIDE FOR EXCEPTIONS

The selection of only fit men for the new army out of the millions who have registered is highly desirable. Picked men for the European battle front are needed not merely as the best material but because of the great cost of equipment and maintenance. Waste in the form of material below a high standard would be manifest folly. At the same time those who do the selecting ought to exercise good judgment and be at liberty to depart from general rules in particular cases at the demand of common sense. Rules that may be well applied in most cases ought to admit of exceptions, for human experiences has taught nothing more certainly than that there are exceptions.

An illuminating story of how a general rule of selection failed to apply in a particular case comes from Kansas. A husky strapping youth, the picture of health and strength, presented himself at a recruiting office and, after examination was rejected. "What's the matter with me?" he asked in great surprise. "You have flat feet," was the reply. "What's that got to do with it?" "You can't walk." "The hell I can't! I can walk down any man you got." "What's your business?" "Track walker for the Santa Fe." Nevertheless the track walker for the Santa Fe, who had actually tramped 65 miles to offer his services to Uncle Sam was rejected on the unalterable assumption that he would fail in an army's march because he had flat or unarched feet.

THE WORST ACHE OF THE COUNTRY.

Industrious Disturbers of the Peace would be a more fitting description than Industrial Workers of the World as applied to those predatory anarchists who agitate and run riot in the name of labor. They propose to "do away with capitalism" and boldly confess that "the question of right and wrong does not concern" them. Supposed to have secured German support by ranging themselves in opposition to the war, they have at least attempted to paralyze industry in six States by violent means, their plans including not only the inauguration of countless strikes but the destruction of property, machinery, fruit trees, and wheat fields.

After some of this had been duly accomplished no wonder a vigilance committee in large force expelled from Bisbee, Arizona, some hundreds of these vicious persons with wheels in their heads, an anarchistic theory on their lips, and the murder of civilization in their hearts. If the government had not stepped in and fed the ejected, and if they had thirsted and hungered in a desert until some glimmerings of sanity had been forced on them, they would have suffered their just deserts. This is no time to permit such a lawless element to aid Germany by causing the discontinued sweeping of Eudope that have been dumped into our midst have been the plague of this country even in times of peace and they must be dealt with vigorously in time of war.

The Root commission has virtually completed its work and will soon start for home. Of course it was only one of the influences contributing toward Russia's inspiring "come back" on the firing line, but we may be sure that it suceeded in accomplishing its appointed "bit."

The old American stage coach, surviving only in the Yellowstone Park has now seen its last days. The war has turned the American tourist tide in that direction to such an extent that it became necessary to employ a more rapid automobile service and Secretary Lane has reluctantly decreed that the stage coach must go. Thus finally passes a relic of our earlier times to which sentiment and romantic interest are still lingeringly attached.

According to Berlin dispatches, a few American troops were sent to France merely in order to tour the country and hearten the natives. But our troops are now in camp immediately behind the fighting line and all this pretended merriment may come to an abrupt end when they are "exhibited" to the Germans in turn.

GARDEN COLUMN

By National Emergency Food Garden Commission

Drying Is Easy.

Fifty years ago it was a very common thing to dry practically all kinds of fruits and vegetables, says today's bulletin from the National Emergency Food Garden Commission. Now drying has become a "lost art," but the present emergency will stimulate this method of food conservation. In this year of great food production, it is essential that some means be taken for the prevention of waste during the time of over supply.

Advantages of drying are most apparent to the housewife who has not root cellar or other places in which to store fresh vegetables and fruits. When the markets are overstocked, she can lay in a supply, dry it and store it away for home winter without its taking up much space. If she is accustomed to canning her vegetables and fruit and is unable to obtain jars or cans, she can easily resort to drying. Many times there will be quantities of food left over which are too small for convenient canning. A few peas, a carrot or turnip may be dried at a time and a quantity sufficient for a meal will soon be secured. Small quantities of different kinds of vegetables may be dried and combined for soups and stews.

A strong point in drying is the ease with which it may be done. Nearly all kinds of fruits and vegetables may be dried at small cost by means of the ordinary home utensils. The food to be dried may be placed on dishes in the oven, with the oven door partially open, or on the back of the stove while the oven is being used for cooking. It may also be done on sheets of muslin or paper in the sun.

There are three methods which give very satisfactory results for home Drying: Sun Drying, Drying by Artificial Heat, Drying by Air Blast (Electric Fan.) These methods may be combined advantageously.

All material should be washed and prepared carefully. After cleaning, material should be blanched and cold-dipped as for canning and then regular drying process carried on.

To be dried quickly, most fruits and vegetables should be shredded or cut into slices because large pieces will dry on the outside, forming a skin preventing escape of moisture.

Another precaution to be taken, especially in artificial drying, is to start with a gentle heat and raise slowly to a higher temperature after the whole material has begun to wither.

The National Emergency Food Garden Commission, 210 Maryland Bldg., Washington, D. C. will send its drying manual to any one who will send a two cent stamp to pay postage.

Auditor's Notice.

The undersigned Auditor, appointed to pass upon claims and to make distribution in the Estate of Phoebe Wilson, late of the Borough of Charleroi, Washington County, Pennsylvania, deceased, will meet for the purposes of his appointment at the office of David M. McCloskey, Attorney, 20 Fifth Street, Charleroi, Washington county, Pennsylvania, at 11 o'clock a. m. Thursday, July 26th, 1917, at which time all persons interested may attend.

Byron E. Tombaugh,
Auditor.
6-13-20

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SHE DID HER SHARE.

And It Was Not Upon the Blood Soiled Field of Battle.

During the first days of that most lamentable conflict that we now know as the war between the states a little woman down in South Carolina gave her husband and their four grown sons to fight for the cause that to her seemed just. She was not belligerent; she was brave. A few years later a neighbor brought her word that all but the youngest boy had been killed.

At the end of the war the youngest boy returned. He was a captain and not a captain merely by courtesy. As he rode through the old plantation he saw to his intense surprise that it was in a fair state of cultivation and that foodstuffs had taken the place of cotton. He had expected to find those broad acres filled with weeds and briars. As soon as he had proudly greeted his mother and been in turn proudly greeted by her he spoke of this.

"That was my part," she told him. "You couldn't fight without having something to eat, could you?"

It was then that he noted the marks of toil on her hands, and he knew that the faithful old negroes had not done all the hard work. He brought his heels together in the military fashion and lifted his hand to the rim of his hat.

"Mother," he said not very steadily, "I salute you, the greatest soldier of us all."—Hapsburg Liebe.

SEE THE FUNNY SIDE.

Use Your Sense of Humor When Distressing Situations Arise.

Humor proves to be the saving clause of many a distressing situation. The trouble with most of us is that we take our troubles altogether too seriously. We fail to see the funny side of things that for the moment concern us, even though we are quick to grasp it when we are mere onlookers.

In the face of gathered clouds that seem to shut out the sunshine forever it is not a bad idea to remind ourselves that this old mother earth has been revolving on her axis for countless ages, that generations of men have come and gone for thousands of years and that the march of human progress has gone right along in the forward direction despite what seemed to be occasional setbacks.

"Laugh and the world laughs with you." There is humor in nearly every situation if we can only see it from the right angle. Those of us who try to smile in adversity and think how much more laughable it would be if conditions were reversed at least feel less uncomfortable over it and take pleasure in looking forward to the time when the shoe will be on the other foot.—Omaha Bee.

The Drum of the Ear.

The reason deaf people cannot hear is that the drum of the ear is imperfect or has been destroyed. Sounds is nothing but the vibrations of the air striking on the drum of the ear. When people are quite deaf it is because the ear drum will not respond to these vibrations, but they can still feel these vibrations even if they cannot hear them. When a number of deaf mutes are sitting in a room together and one wishes to attract the attention of another he strikes his heel on the floor, and every one in the room feels the vibration and looks around to see who called. In the large asylums for the deaf and dumb the doors are hung very loosely, so that if you shake them it sets up a vibration like stamping on the floor, and that is the way they wake up deaf people that sleep too late in the morning.

Ether and Matter.

The densest matter is more or less porous. Gold will absorb mercury as a lump of sugar will absorb water, showing there must be interstices or interatomic spaces in it, but the ether shows no such property. If a drop of water could be magnified sufficiently one would ultimately see the different atoms of hydrogen and oxygen that constitute the molecules of water. If a small volume of ether could be thus magnified the indications are that the ultimate part would look like the first, which is the same as saying that it is not made up of discrete particles, but fills space completely. This is expressed by saying that the ether is a continuous medium and incomparable with matter.—Exchange.

Safety First.

I was returning home the other evening about 6:30 o'clock when I saw Tommy, my neighbor's boy, playing with a crowd of other boys. I knew that his family always had supper at 6 o'clock sharp, so I said, "I'll bet you 5 cents you'll miss your supper, Tommy."

He grinned up at me saucily and replied: "Then you lose your bet, 'cause I got the chops right here with me. Ma sent me for 'em at 5 o'clock."—Everybody's Magazine.

Too Mean a Trick.

"See here: I wrote and asked you when you were going to pay that old account and even inclosed a stamp, but you never answered."

"My dear sir, wouldn't it have been a mean trick to use your own stamp to disappoint you?"

A Warning.

"Don't be too ready to bandy wit with a chemist."

"Why not with a chemist?"

"Because he always has a ready retort."—Baltimore American.

Postage Stamps.

There are at the present time over 21,000 varieties of postage stamps in circulation throughout the world.

Let gratitude for the past inspire us with trust for the future.—Fenelon.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO CONSERVATION FUND

Those who contributed to the Food Conservation fund in Charleroi were as follows:—Woman's Suffrage Association and Child Welfare League, each $10; L. C. B. A., Mrs. J. S. Frazer, Mrs. C. J. Mogan, J. D. Berryman, S. L. Woodward, C. R. Peregrine, H. J. Booth and Eugene Fau each $5; Royal Arcanum, J. E. Masters and Eugene Mathieu, $2.50; W. B. Pfleghardt, J. C. Enos, L. T. Collins, Piper Pharmacy, W. B. Carson & Co., R. C. Mountsier, each $2; John B. Schaffe, E. E. Doerzbacher, H. Porter, F. J. John, James B. Dixon, Peoples Realty Co., U. S. Orange, Clayhaugh & Milliken, Kirk & Clark, George W. Might, Otto Boehme, J. H. Bowers & Son, Carroll's Drug Store, R. O. Vetter, Jack Teitelbaum, L. Rosenbloom, Greenberg Bros., M. B. Richardson, Frye Hardware Co., P. Wayne, M. T. Crowley, National Grocery Co., T. P. Grant, R. S. Coyle, Henning Drug Store, McDermotts, Frank Riva, I. H. Bethem, Mrs. D. N. Sloan, Oscar Haas, John McNaughton, each $1; D. M. Letherman, N. Y. Bargain Store, cash, each 50 cents. Total, $112.00.

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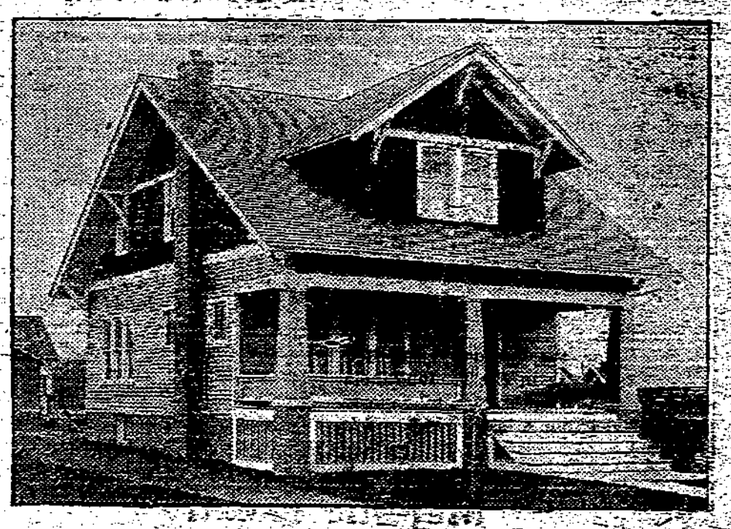

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SUNDAL CHURCH SERVICES

First Christian.

First Christian church, Fallowfield avenue, near Sixth street. Bible school at 9:45 a. m. Lord's Supper and preaching at 10:50 a. m. Subject, "Liabilities Carried Over From Childhood." Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30. Subject, "Applying the Golden Rule to Life." Evening worship at 7:30. Subject, "Filling up the Gulfs." During the summer months we shall hold short services. Wednesday prayer meeting at 7:30. All strangers to our city and those without a church home are cordially invited to attend the services of our downtown church, which is the peoples church. You are welcome. Come! Rev. E. N. Duty, pastor.

First Presbyterian.

Sunday school at 9:45. Morning worship at 11. Subject, "The Sinner's Friend. Young People's meeting at 6:45. Topic, "The Peace of the Golden Rule."

Evening worship at 7:30. Topic, "The Profitableness of Religion."

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30. A. J. Whipkey, minister.

Baptist.

227-29 Washington Avenue. Bible school at 9:45. Worship and sermon at 11. Evening worship at 7:45. The pastor will preach at both services. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:45. W. G. Carl, minister.

Washington Avenue Presbyterian

Sabath school at 9:45. Preaching at 11. Sermon, "The Divine Substitute." There will be the baptism of babes, reception of members and observance of the Lord's supper at this service. Sr. C. E. at 7. Topic, Applying the Golden Rule To Life." Miss Besse Johnson, leader. Preaching at 8. Sermon, "A Real Reformer." Strangers and those without a church home are cordially invited to worship with us. Rev. John R. Burson, pastor.

Lutheran.

Sunday school at 9:45. Preaching services at 11. Subject, "A Man's Real Life." Vesper services at 7:30. Rev. G. Arthur Fry of Pittsburg will give an interesting lecture on Laysville Orphan Home at the evening service. Public cordially invited to all services. Public cordially invitgd to all services. C. P. Bastian, pastor.

St. Mary's Episcopal.

Sunday school at 9:45. Morning service will be read by Mr. Raymond Lonhart of Pittsburg at 11 o'clock. No evening service.

Methodist.

Methodist Episcopal, corner 6th street and Lincoln avenue. Sunday school 9:45 o'clock, preaching service 10:45 o'clock, sermon by Pastor. Epworth League 6:30. Evening preaching service 7:30. Sermon by the pastor. Strangers and people without a church home are cordially invited to come and worship with us. This is a home like church with a welcome for all. Short sermon Sunday night. C. A. Hartung, minister.

BEGIN WORK ON A LARGE CONTRACT

The Foundations Company of America has begun work on its $250,000 contract for the H. C. Frick Coke company at Adah, in the Sixth pool of the Monongahela river. To complete the work reuired in this contract will call for five hundred piles, 200,000 board feet of timber, one and one-narter miles of railroad track of standard gauge, and several tons of steel for the steel floor system resting on timber bents.

When this improvement has been installed, which will be some time in October ,coal and coke will be taken directly from the mines and dumped into barges for shipment down the Monongahela river. Both products will be taken by the mills of the United States Steel Corporation, while much of the coal from this mine will be delivered at Clairton, for the new coke ovens now in course of construction at that place and which will reqire thousands of tons of coal daily to keep in operation. Within the next year the coal operations in the upper pools is expected to reach immense figures, as many new plants are now in course of construction, many of which will ship their products by river.

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The Charleroi Mail

DAMAGE VERDICT IS SET ASIDE BY COURT

In the suit of Joseph Pushkarich against the Ellsworth Collieries company, motion for judgment notwithstanding the verdict in favor of the plaintiff, Judge Irwin at Washington on Friday handed down an opinion allowing the motion. Judgment is directed to be entered in favor of the defendant, nothwithstanding the verdict of $1,500 in favor of the plaintiff. The plaintiff was injured while working in the Ellsworth mine, a piece of slate falling upon him while he was driving a motor along one of the entries. The plaintiff alleged carelessness on the part of the company, while the company set up three points on which it asked to have the jury reversed. first, that the mine was in charge of a certified mine foreman; that if there was negligence it was on his part, and finally, that the plaintiff was thoroughly familiar with the conditions in that part of the mines and must be held to have assumed the risk.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Bradley have returned from a visit with the parents of Mrs. Bradley at Marion, Ind.

Howard Bradley is visiting with his grandparents and other relatives in Ohio and Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Steinbaugh, daughters Elizabeth and Fehr and son Byron of Fallowfield avenue motored to Cumberland, Md., to visit over Sunday. Misses Elizabeth and Fehr will spend about a week in Cumberland.

George W. Might is in Pittsburg today where he is acting as a Field Judge at the annual A. A. U. Pittsburg Press Track meet.

Carl McGuire and Carl Lauderback are in Pittsburg participating in the marathon race of the Pittsburg Press meet.

Notice to Contractors.

The Fallowfield School Board will receive sealed bids until noon Saturday, July 28, 1917 for the erection of two one room school buildings. One at Rodgers and the other at Lockview. Plans and specifications may be seen at the Bank of Charleroi. The board reserves the right to reeject any or all bids.

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WANTED—Young man for an apprentice. Apply at the Spencer garage, Second street. 30t6.

WANTED—Experienced driver for grocery store. August Mahieu, 620 Fallowfield avenue. 30-t2

WANTED—Experienced lady canvasser to work in Charleroi and Monessen district on a new premium proposition. We pay good salary. Commission and expenses. Write W. and H. Walker 328 Wabash Bldg., Pittsburg, Pa. 30-t2

WANTED—Competent girl; good wages to right party. Apply at 525 Lincoln avenue. 30-t2

WANTED—Small girl to help with housework, on one experienced girl for housework. Apply at Porter's jewelry store, 502 Fallowfield avenue. 30-t2

WANTED—Girl for general housework. Apply at 114 Lincoln avenue. 28-t10

WANTED—An experienced woman for ironing. Apply 532 Fallowfield third floor, Mrs. Assenat. 31-tf

FOR SALE—Three lots and a three roomed house on Third and Luella avenue, Charleroi. For further particulars address 966 Mail. 29-t3p

FOR SALE—Detroit Jewel Gas Range, linoleum, revolving book case, ice chest, etc. ETAOINN ice chest etc. 112 Lincoln ave 31t1.

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Inquire 538 Washington avenue. 31-t2

LOST—Man's coat, containing valuable papers, between Charleroi and Belle Vernon. Reward if returned to 969 Mail office. 31-t1

SELLING AS AN ART.

The Road to Success, and the Reason Some Salesmen Fail.

In a story about a wonderful salesman a writer says in the American Magazine:

"Asked for his views on salesmanship and to give suggestions that would be helpful to others, he said: 'Any person can sell to any man who wants to buy, but it takes a salesman to sell to the man who doesn't want to buy. It took me five months in one case to work my way into the confidence of a wealthy man who hated life insurance agents, and we had been acquainted a month before he discovered that I was selling insurance. He later had me write him up for a $10,000 policy.

"'A salesman should know his goods forward and backward, know human nature like he knows the alphabet and not lie. Self confidence, which is indispensable to success, results from exact knowledge of what you are offering to sell and knowledge of your prospect.

"'Salesmen sometimes fail because they have a set way of dealing with all kinds of people. That will never do. They should learn to adapt themselves to all sorts and conditions of men and women. Use an easy conversational tone. Be natural. Don't get excited or talk loud. Make strong, positive assertions about your goods. You must be absolutely certain that the article you are selling is the very best on earth. Then stop talking before you kill the sale by talking too much.'"

GRAVEDIGGER-BEETLES.

These Queer Insects Have a Remarkable Sense of Smell.

When an animal dies in a garden or in the woods and decomposition begins carrion bugs come from far and near. A dead bird, a mouse or a harmless snake wantonly killed by some wanderer provides a banquet for hundreds of insects. Among these the "gravediggers" are found, embracing forty-three species, twelve of which are found in Europe, the rest in America.

You can ideatify these beetles, says the Popular Science Monthly, by the two jagged yellowish red or reddish transverse bands upon their black wing covers. Their scientific name, necrophorus, means no more than "buriers of the dead." As undertakers the insects have legs especially adapted for digging.

A gravedigger beetle has a most extraordinary sense of smell. He can detect the peculiar odor of decomposition a long distance away and flies to the dead thing as straight as an arrow. His remarkably keen nose is situated in his clublike feelers.

As a rule several gravediggers are found near a dead body. They crawl under it and scratch the supporting earth away, so that the body soon lies in a hollow. Gradually the body is lowered until it sinks below the surface. Then it is covered with earth. The female lays her eggs around the interred form, thus insuring for the newly hatched larvae a plentiful food supply.

Emeralds and Beryls.

There is no decline in the vogue of the emerald, using the word not in the generic sense of the trade, but for a beryl of the accepted green emerald hue. Fine specimens always cause a flutter in the auction room, for the very good reason that those are extremely rare. Perfect stones are as costly as fine rubies and, of course, much more so relatively than diamonds.

The Duke of Devonshire owns what is believed to be the largest and nearest faultlessness in existence, and it came from Nuzo, in Colombia, the main source of modern examples. The ancient emeralds of great magnitude we read of were probably not beryls at all, and, indeed, "oriental emerald" is the designation of the green corundum.—London Chronicle.

How to Begin the Day.

Begin the morning by saying to thyself: I shall meet this day with the busybody, the ungrateful, the arrogant, deceitful, envious, unsocial. All these things happen to them by reason of their ignorance of what is good and evil. But I, who have seen the nature of the good that it is beautiful and of the bad that it is ugly, cannot be injured by any of them.—Marcus Aurelius.

Doesn't Always Work.

"Take my advice," said the man who has a great deal of litigation. "Do anything rather than go into court."

"I tried that once, and it taught me a lesson."

"How so?"

"I was given a stiff fine for resisting an officer."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Asmodeus.

Asmodeus is an evil genius or demon. In the apocryphal book of Tobit he is represented as slaying the seven husbands of Sarah. In the Talmud he is described as the prince of demons and is said to have driven Solomon from his kingdom.

Delicately Put.

"I do hope you appreciate that in marrying my daughter you marry a large hearted girl."

"I do, sir. And I hope she inherits those qualities from her father."—Passing Show.

The Bible.

The sixty-six books of the Bible were written by about forty men during a period of 1,600 years.

True merit is like a river—the deeper it is the less noise it makes.—Bailie.

ATTEND JUBILEE AT THOMPSON'S RUN

A number of Charleroi people attended the "Golden Jubilee Celebration" of Father Axmacher's church at Thompson's Run, back of Duquesne, Friday night and report a most enjoyable time. The celebration has been continuing all week, with different diversions for each day and all of them of a most interesting character. Friday evening was the date of "Golden euchre," in which the Charleroi people participated as well as hundreds of others. Father Axmacher was former assistant pastor of St. Jerome's church of Charleroi, and by his fine personality and friendly manner endeared himself to hundreds of Charleroi people. Since going to Thompson's Run he has expended $17,000 for church repairs, all which has been paid, while the Golden Jubilee was instrumental in raising over $4,000 for the benefit of his parish. Those who attended from Charleroi Friday evening were Mrs. Patrick Conlley and daughters Stella and Marie, Mr. and Mrs. John Munch, Miss Winnifred Oates and Joseph Connell, Harry W. Scott and Mr. and Mrs. Thos. P. Sloan of North Charleroi.

Joseph Pearson of Crest avenue has gone to Ridgeview where he will spend his vacation.

SEEKING WOMEN FOR NEW LINES OF WORK

The drawing of serial numbers on Friday for the selective draft for the new National Army emphasizes the fact that men, already scarce in industrial centers, will go to even a greater premium when these additional citizens have been summoned to the colors. Already a number of corporations are using women in many capacities heretofore occupied exclusively by men, and now the railroad companies are soliciting the services of women for positions in their freight offices. Already women occupying clerical positions in Charleroi have been approached and made tentative offers to take positions in the freight service, but with what success is not yet apparent.

It is even intimated that the Pittsburg Railways company, taking a cue from the experience of street railways abroad, are contemplating using women in a number of their departments. Thedraft is likely to cut in heavily on the number of employes of this corporation and in order to protect themselves and their traffic may be compelled to utilize the services of many women. The steel mills have already done so, women even invading districts which heretofore it was thought men only would be capable of handling, but women have demonstrated her capability in so many lines during the past three years that the American public will not be surprised at any innovation the future may bring in the way of employment of the fairer sex.

Jacob Tusher of McKean avenue was a Pittsburg visitor Saturday.

ANOTHER DONATION IS GIVEN TO THE RED CROSS

The management of the Dunlevy Grove gave the proceeds of Friday night for the benefit of the Red Cross. The occasion was a very delightful one, quite a number of people participating and this morning the management turned over to the Treasurer of the Charleroi Red Cross Chapter $16.05 a donation which was very acceptable.

On Sunday the Apollo quartet composed of Marion Kinder of McKeesport, Mr. Dobson of Monessen, Joseph Pearson and Walter Ailes of Charleroi will sing at a McKeesport church.

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A SAFE TEST

For those who are in need of a remedy for kidney troubles and backache, it is a good plan to try Doan's Kidney Pills. They are strongly recommended by Belle Vernon people.

Alonzo Clegg, painter and paper hanger, Box No. 18, Belle Vernon, Pa., says: "About a year ago my kidneys got weak. The doctor claimed that the fumes from the turpentine caused the trouble. I had a constant dull pain in my back and when I reached over or exerted myself, sharp, shooting twinges darted through my arms and shoulders. The kidney secretions passed too frequently and caused a burning sensation. I noticed that the secretions were highly colored and they deposited sediment. My head ached most all the time and I often got so dizzy that I could hardly stand. I tried almost everything I knew of but wasn't benefited until I got Doan's Kidney Pills. One box cured me."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that cured Mr. Clegg. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y. 43

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Lizzie Chesure, deceased late of Lock Four, Pa.

Letters of administration upon the above estate having been granted to the undersigned, notice is hereby given to those indebted thereto to make immediate payment and to those having claims or demands to present them for settlement.

Samuel A. Chesure,
Administrator.

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ENEMIES TO SUCCESS.

Learn to Avoid Timidity, Shyness or Self Consciousness.

Timidity, shyness and self consciousness belong to the same family. We usually find all where we find any one, and they are all enemies of peace of mind, happiness and achievement. No one has ever done a great thing while his mind was centered upon himself. We must lose ourselves before we can find ourselves. Self analysis is valuable only to learn our strength; it is fatal if it makes us dwell upon our weaknesses.

Timid, shy people are morbidly self conscious. They think too much about themselves. Their thoughts are turned inward; they are always analyzing, dissecting themselves, wondering how they appear and what people think of them. If these people could only forget themselves and think of others they would be surprised to see what freedom, ease and grace they would gain, what success in life they would achieve.

Thousands of young people are held back from undertaking what they long to do and are kept from trying to make real their great life dreams because they are afraid to jostle with the world. They shrink from exposing their sore spots and sensitive points, which smart from the lightest touch. Their supersensitiveness makes cowards of them. —O. S. Marden.

OIL UPON THE WATERS.

Why It Tames the Billows and Calms the Troubled Sea.

Waves in midocean are caused entirely by the action of the wind. The adhesion between the rapidly moving particles of air which compose the wind and the surface particles of the water causes the water's surface to be dragged along with the air. Small ripples are immediately formed. These ripples soon overtake others near them. They unite, and, due to the friction between the water particles, each succeeding ripple piles up on the top of previous ones.

Just as soon as oil is spread upon the water, however, the size of the waves is reduced like magic. The reason for this is interesting.

Oil, unlike water, has very little internal friction between its particles. The ripples of oil formed by the wind therefore cannot pile upon each other to any considerable height; hence water waves cannot grow in an area of oil placed about a steamer. They begin to fall down instead. By the time these waves reach the boat they will have lost their formative ripples, and the result is a perfectly calm surface over the portion of the sea through which the boat is making its way.—Popular Science Monthly.

The Wagon Wheel Paradox.

A very interesting paradox is the one concerning an ordinary wagon wheel, which is solid and rigid, yet when fastened on its axle on a wagon, when the wagon moves part of the circumference of the wheel which is in contact with the ground is for an instant at absolute rest, while the point directly perpendicular to it is flying along at a high rate of speed. The two points horizontal with the center of the wheel are traveling pretty fast, but only half as fast as the topmost point, and as the upgoing horizontal point increases in speed the downgoing one slows up until it is at rest for a moment when in contact with the ground. Yet the wheel is one solid piece and there are only two points going at the same rate of speed at the same time. Yet if the wheel is taken off the axle and rolled down an incline every point of the circumference moves at the same rate of speed.

Sleet and Slush.

In the interest of accuracy the weather bureau some time ago urged the use of the word "tornado" for "cyclone" when the meaning is a violent storm of small diameter. In the same interest it now offers "glaze" for "sleet." The official description of sleet is small globules of rain that freeze before they strike the ground. When the rain freezes on trees and buildings the condition is a "glaze," and when the glaze is severe and there is a strong wind it is an "ice storm." But not even the weather bureau is likely to find a substitute for "slush."—Youth's Companion.

Seven Days King.

Masaniello (Thomas Aniello), born 1622, was known as the "Seven Days King." He headed a revolt against the Duke of Arcos at Naples, July 7, 1647, forced him to abolish the tax on provisions and for seven days was master of Naples. He was most arrogant and bloodthirsty and was assassinated July 16. He is the hero of two operas, one by Carafa, called "Masaniello," and the other by Auber (libretto by Scribe), called "La Muette de Portici."

Machinery Has Limitations.

The irritable employer turned to his typewriter with a sudden snarl.

"Why don't you write it just as I say it?" he demanded.

"Because my typewriter hasn't the catarrh," she quietly responded.—Boston Transcript.

Musical.

Mrs. D.—I have just bought tickets for Miss X.'s recital. Mrs. B.—Who is she? Mrs. D.—A coloratura soprano. Mrs. B.—I never cared for those negro singers.—Musical America.

The Wrong Line.

He—Each hour I spend with you is like a pearl to me. She—Aw, quit stringing me.—Columbia Jester.

Our deeds, whether good or evil, follow us as shadows.

FILLING OUT A CHECK.

It Is a Good Rule Always to Write the Stub First.

In a big store a woman was paying with a check for some goods she had just bought, and she was carefully filling in the stub of her check book first. "Oh, don't stop for that!" urged her shopping companion, who was in a hurry. "You can do that when you get home."

Unmoved, the careful woman finished the stub with special care, then wrote the check, gave it to the salesman and said to her impatient friend: "Before I was married I took care of some of my father's accounts. The first time he ever asked me to fill out a set of blank checks for him so he could sign them he told me: 'One rule you must always observe—write the stub first. Make a vow to yourself, like unto the vow of Jephthah, that you will never write a check until the stub is filled. If for any reason you should fail later to write the check it would be a simple matter to cancel the stub, but if you write a check and leave the stub blank you open the door to a hundred chances of mistake. No one's memory can be trusted on that subject. Never try to trust yours. Let the law of 'the stub first' be to you as the law of the Medes and the Persians.' I have always found it perfectly easy to follow that rule, and that is one reason I have a bank account today. My husband is never afraid I will make him any trouble with it."

HEED BAD ODORS.

They May Warn You of Places Where Disease Germs Lurk.

Even a bad odor has its uses. Scientists say that the offensive smell which comes from decaying and disease breeding matter is in reality one of nature's measures of preparedness and of prevention.

Offensive odors indirectly prevent the spread of epidemics by calling attention to the breeding place of the disease. They give warning that something is wrong, and they persist in this warning by becoming more and more offensive until the wrong is righted.

The odor does not convey the germ or communicate the disease, because in most cases direct contact is necessary to do this, or the infection is communicated by some substance taken into or brought in contact with the body. But it does tell where the disease exists or is likely to exist. It also gives warning of tainted or unfit food, as the nose is intended by nature to be one of man's chief allies in the fight for health.

Some have even gone so far as to state that mothers should not discourage or forbid children smelling their food before they eat it. The tendency to do this is said to be a natural one. The nose is not placed above the mouth by accident. It was designed in primitive man as a guide post for his stomach, and it is still a good guide.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

The Looking Glass in Fiction.

All nations have shown by their stories how the looking glass is regarded as ministering to vanity. The ancient Greeks depicted Venus with a mirror and even described her chamber as lined all over with mirrors, so that whichever way her eyes turned she could behold her beautiful self. But Minerva never used a mirror. Pass to West Africa and we find a native story which begins with a magic mirror that possessed the power of speech and always said, "Mistress, there is none" when its owner, a woman called Maria, asked it, "My mirror is there any other beautiful woman like myself?" But one day Maria's daughter entered the forbidden room where it was kept, asked a similar question and got a similar answer. A tale of maternal jealousy and vengeance follows.—London Spectator.

Sunlight and Germs.

Here is an instructive experiment made by scientists to show the effects of sunlight. Some germs of the terrible disease anthrax were sown on two plates of gelatin, and while one plate was kept in the dark the other was placed in the sunlight. The germs grew, and at the end of ten minutes there were 360 colonies or groups in the sunshine plate and 400 colonies in the dark plate.

One hour later the result was: In the sunshine plate, none; in the dark plate, 2,520. No disease germ thrives in sunlight.

Early Opportunity.

"We came to this country and took the innocent red man's land away from him."

"Yes," replied the man who has been having trouble with real estate, "and in some cases the innocent red man was lucky to unload just when he did."—Washington Star.

A Classy Youth.

"What classes is your boy in at college?"

"He's in the .300 class at baseball."

"Yes?"

"And also in the ten second class in the 100 yard dash."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Boring Wells.

The art of boring wells was practiced in the east more than 4,000 years ago. Abraham's servant encountered Rebekah at a well in 1859 B. C.

Improve the Setting.

Howell—How can a man get his wife in a pleasant frame of mind? Powell—Just see that the frame is gilded.—Town Topics.

VILLAGES OF GALICIA.

Where Family, Cattle and Fowls All Live in Two Rooms.

The villages of Galicia are especially interesting on Sundays and holidays, when the national costumes are donned.

The cottages are generally made of stone or board plastered over and are then covered with a coat of whitewash. The straw roof is frequently crowned with green growing moss, which adds to its picturesque appearance if not to its healthfulness. Water is drawn from the wells by a long pole balanced near the center. These wells have a decided old world appearance.

The interior of the cottages is usually divided into two rooms. In one room the entire family lives, eats and sleeps; in the other, in more or less harmonious contentment, dwell the cows, pigs, chickens and geese. No household would be complete without a number of geese.

Around the cottages a number of children are sure to be seen playing. A dozen or twenty or thirty of such cottages, each separated only by a small yard, make up a village. If there is a marriageable daughter in the house the lintel of the door and the window surroundings are ornamented with little irregular bands, which is a notice to the marriageable young men.—Christian Herald.

VALUE IN DEAD LETTERS.

The Loss and Trouble That Are Caused by Sheer Carelessness.

More than two and a quarter million dollars' worth of checks, drafts, money orders and other valuable papers were found in undelivered letters by the dead letter office during the last year, and practically all were restored to their owners.

The first assistant postmaster general announces that the dead letter division handled 10,839,890 letters and parcels during the year, a slight increase over the previous year. One third of these letters and parcels, or 3,677,194, was delivered, 101,485 contained things of value without clew to their senders and were held for claimants, 7,019,436 had to be destroyed and 41,775 still are being investigated.

In addition to the valuable papers, with a face value of $2,303,119, found in undelivered letters, many contained stamps, and some currency was found loose in the mails.

The dead mail received by the dead letter division during the year contained 677,700 misdirected letters, 115,766 unaddressed letters, 228,700 letters held for postage, 440,200 letters written on hotel letter paper by persons unknown to the hotels and 104,700 letters bearing fictitious signatures.

Army Aviation Service.

Significant, in view of the popular conception of flying as extreme daredevilry, is the record of the United States army aviation service from Jan. 1 to Dec. 20, 1916. During that period 7,087 flights were made by military pilots. In all 3,357 hours were spent in the air, which means that more than nine hours each day of the year some soldier airman was aloft. The distance traveled amounted to approximately 251,775 miles, or slightly more than ten times the circumference of the earth. There was no fatality. Evidently these figures cannot be fairly compared with current railroad and motorcar statistics. Contrasts are not needed, however, to accent their import. Sane flying is not yet accident proof and possibly never will be, but neither is it extremely foolhardy.—Searle Hendee in Popular Mechanics Magazine.

Richard the Hunchback.

Of all the kings of England perhaps Richard, the hunchback, has the most sinister reputation, his only rival being the crafty John. He died on Bosworth field fighting for the crown he had gained by murder. It is a matter of history as well as of Shakespeare not always the same thing—that the tide of success turned against Richard when Lord Stanley took himself and his men from his side to that of Richmond. When hard pressed Richard cried: "I am king of England! I will not budge an inch." Then, being overwhelmed, he died, crying: "Treason! Treason!"

Where Knowledge Stopped.

Bill—Do you know you borrowed $2 from me over six months ago?

Gill—Yes, I know that.

"And do you know you have never paid me?"

"Why, yes, I know that."

"Do you know when you are going to pay me?"

"Well, say, you don't expect me to know everything, do you?"—Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

Eskimos and Whales.

The Eskimos use every part of the whale. The oil is light, fuel and food for them; the flesh, food; the whalebone and true bone are used in making sledges, huts, boats, spears and harpoons; the sinews form thread and twine; the thin membranes, window glass.

Never Unwelcome News.

Katharine—When a person already knows a thing he certainly hates having some one tell him about it. Tom—How about the girl who knows she is pretty?—Stray Stories.

Eat Their Way.

Earthworms swallow the earth which is in their way as they are making their galleries through the soil.

Temperance and labor are the two real physicians of man.

EMERGENCY RATIONS.

Food the Soldier Eats When His Regular Supply Fails.

Of the emergency rations of the fighters of the world the most ostentatious is Uncle Sam's ration of compressed maize meal with meat, farina and three chocolate bars. This ration is deficient in fats for the very good reason that, even though hermetically sealed, it would become rancid if it carried any more fat. It is not therefore a balanced ration, but the container holds enough actual food to keep a soldier from starving for twenty-four hours.

The British troops as well as the Dutch have a sausage made of ground peas highly salted, reported to have been originated by the Scotch and which is put up in regular sausage skins. It is said to be the most sustaining emergency ration known.

The Italian butter ball is interesting because of the perfect preservation of the unsalted butter within the dry cheese envelope. The compressed tablets of tea make it possible for one to eat his tea if water is not available, the Russians getting what they call a dry cup of tea by slipping a tablet of compressed tea into the mouth and allowing it to dissolve slowly. All sorts of meat and fish are dried in sheets and strips and hunks by the various armies.

These are not the foods, however, upon which armies live, but the emergency rations upon which the soldier depends when the regular rations fail.—Christian Herald.

TESTING THE DENTIST.

Ismail Pasha Didn't Want to Take Any Painful Chances.

To illustrate oriental habits of thought Lord Cromer tells in the Quarterly Review this story of Ismail Pasha, khedive of Egypt. It once happened that Ismail was suffering from toothache. He sent for a European dentist, who told him that he ought to have the tooth out. Ismail said that he was afraid it would be very painful. He was informed in reply that if he would allow the dentist to administer laughing gas to him he would feel nothing. He still doubted, but told the dentist to bring his apparatus to the palace.

The dentist complied and explained the process to the khedive. Ismail then summoned an attendant and told him to send up the sentry who was at his door.

When the man arrived the khedive ordered him to sit down in a chair and requested the dentist to take out a tooth on either side of his jaw. Ismail then asked the man whether he had felt anything, and the man told him that he had not. But Ismail was not yet satisfied. He said that the sentry was a young, strong man and that he would like to see the dentist tried on some one of weaker physique.

Accordingly he summoned a waiting girl and had the dentist extract two of her teeth. Finding that she did not show evidence of extreme suffering, he then consented to have his own tooth out.

About the Puritans.

In the American Magazine William Roscoe Thayer says:

"It is the fashion of late to speak condescendingly of the Puritans as of a people of narrow views and of men of sour temperament, but no descendant of theirs and no later immigrant who now dwells in the commonwealth they founded and enjoys the blessings which it bestows upon us will fail to glory in being able to trace back to such forerunners. The story of the conditions which faced the passengers of the Mayflower when they landed at Plymouth can never be too often repeated. To have as founders of our state men and women who had the fear of God in their hearts, but feared the face of no man, ranks as the initial glory of Massachusetts."

Simplest of Cements.

Coddensed milk applied to the edges of the pieces of broken china will keep the article as intact as the majority of cements on the market today, writes Edwin W. Ely in a letter to the Electrical Experimenter. Mr. Ely adds that he has mended saucers that have withstood washings in hot water and has mended a telescope lens of fairly large size with this unique cement.

Checking a Skid.

When you are driving an automobile and it begins to skid the skidding will be checked if you will immediately turn the steering wheel in the direction you are skidding. A car skids when there is a momentum tending to turn it about the center of gravity. When the forces about the center of gravity are balanced the car will not skid.—American Boy.

Lead Filled Inscriptions.

In Job xix, 24, is an allusion to the use of lead to fill carved inscriptions upon stone by pouring the molten lead into the cavities of the letters to render them legible and at the same time to preserve them from the action of the weather.

Domestic Joys.

Mrs. Crabshaw—I might have married that man who became a millionaire, Crabshaw—Forget it, my dear. If he'd married you he would be as poor as I am."—Lamb.

Imitation.

"What a wonderful sunset!"

"Yes. It actually seems to be trying to look like some of the pictures in the art store."—Washington Star.

Courage consists not in blindly overlooking danger, but in seeing it and conquering it.—Richter.